

May 15, 2012

Dear **Mr. Simon**:

Thank you for contacting the USDA FOIA Service Center with a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, dated **February 14, 2012**. Your request was received on **February 16, 2012** and has been assigned the tracking number # **2012-FNS-01579-F**. Please refer to this number in all future communications with us regarding this request.

This FOIA request has resulted in approximately 500 pages of documents being located. The cost of duplication is .20 cents per page and would cost \$140. The cost for search and review of the requested contract is \$395.88 and this all comes up to a grand total of \$545.88. We will need ½ of the money estimated upfront so a check or money order for \$272.94 should be made out to the Department of the Treasury and mailed to us at:

USDA FNS
Attention: FOIA Office
3101 Park Center Drive, Room 302
Alexandria, VA 22302

The remainder of the balance will be \$272.94 and will be must be paid within 30 days to avoid accruing interest. Please annotate the following in the memo portion of the check, 2012-FNS-01579-F.

It is at this time that we are contacting you again to inquire your willingness to pay as we can't continue processing your FOIA request without a promise to pay and ½ of the money upfront. If we don't hear back from you within 10 calendar days with a check or money order to satisfy at least ½ of the cost of processing this FOIA request, we will administratively close your case and presume that you are no longer interested in pursuing this matter. If you are no longer interested in pursuing this FOIA request, please send us a courtesy email to inform us that you wish to withdraw your request. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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